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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION **TRANSMITTAL**

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Attorney Docket No.	2-5635-002	<u> </u>
First Inventor	Edward F. McNair	S.P
Title	Geothermal Pipe Weight	
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.	Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450				
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4. Prawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets8]  5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets23] a. Newly executed (original or copy)  b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)  i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).  6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76	10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of  (when there is an assignee)  Attorney  11. English Translation Document (if applicable)  12. Information Disclosure  Copies of IDS  Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Citations  13. Preliminary Amendment  14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  (Should be specifically itemized)  15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  (if foreign priority is claimed)  16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122  (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35  or its equivalent.  17. Other:				
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1. BASIC FILING FEE	1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
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1001 770 2001 385 Utility filing fee 385	1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee	1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1003 530 2003 265 Plant filing fee	1402	330	2402		Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee	1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee	1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 385	1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
Fee from	1501		2501		Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
Extra Claims below Fee Paid  Total Claims 40 .20** = 20 X 9 = 180	1502	480	2502		Design issue fee	
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1202 18 2202 9 Claims in excess of 20 1201 86 2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3	1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be	
1204 86 2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent	1801	770	2801	385	examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))  Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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